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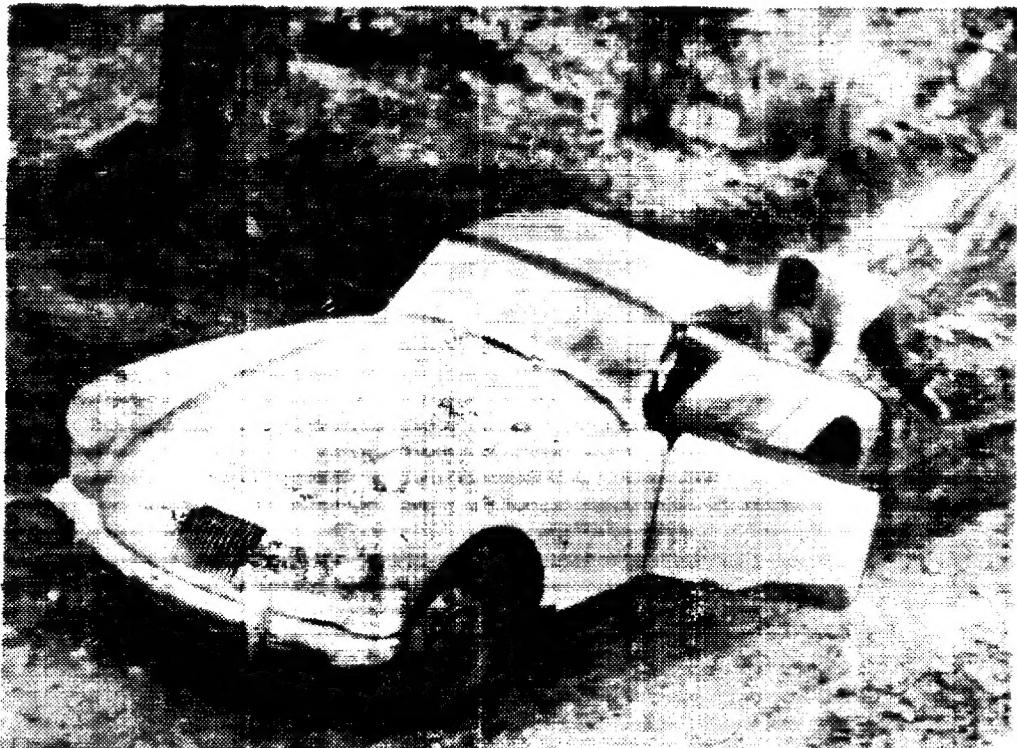
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The World Today

People

U-2 PILOT Francis Gary Powers, at home at last in Pound, Va., was being given a hero's welcome by his fellow-townsfolk of Southwest Virginia. Rep. Pat Jennings (D., Va.), mayors of seven towns, color guards, and National Guard units were to take part in a parade and a reception in Big Stone Gap's Armory, largest building in Wise County. One of Mr. Powers' first actions at home: He put on boots and helped push a car out of the mud left by last week's thaw.



—UPI Telephoto.

U-2 pilot Powers tackles a slower vehicle, a stuck-in-the-mud auto belonging to Charles Flinner, UPI correspondent, who went to Pound, Va., to interview him.